

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

February 9, 2015



Sunset over the Eastern Sierra on 02/07/15
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SITUATION SUMMARY

Hazardous Material Spill Report# 15-0753, Jenner, Sonoma County (New/Final)

At approximately 0955 hours on 02/08/15, California Highway Patrol Golden Gate called the CSWC to report that a tanker truck carrying two tanks rolled over which caused the release of 4,000 gallons of fuel at 0816 hours. The release was contained to the shoulder and a culvert. According to CHP, the spill was 1,000 yards from any waterway.

- A Cal OES Fire and Rescue Branch Assistant Chief responded to the incident. Per Fire Branch Assistant Chief Clary, 1,200 gallons spilled with some of it reaching a pond. The rest has been contained. Contractor is pumping off the remainder of the tanks. Monitors are in place to measure ignition potential. Notifications have been made to multiple State and Federal agencies.
- At 2003 hours on 02/08/15, Cal OES FDO advised Chief Clary has now been released from the Jenner Incident. All HAZMAT has been recovered, the vehicle has been up righted, the highway opened, and all resources released.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

Per CAL FIRE and Cal OES Duty Officers as of 02/09/15 at 0745 hours:

- Location: West of Highway 395 at the Sherwin Grade, SRA/FRA
- Acreage: 7,000 acres, 85% containment. Expected containment: 02/10/2015
- 40 residences, 3 minor structures destroyed
- 5 residences damaged
- 5 Local Government engines and 2 water tenders remain assigned to the incident. One San Bernardino Strike Team has been released. Second is expected to be released this morning.
- The unincorporated communities of Swall Meadows and Paradise have been placed under an mandatory evacuation order. The Sheriff's department conducted door to door evacuation notifications for 183 homes, affecting 470 residents. As of 2000 hours on 02/07/15, 183 homes have been evacuated. The evacuation orders will remain in place due to hazards from downed electrical lines and smoldering trees.
- Voluntary evacuations are in place for Lower Rock Creek, Sunny Slopes, and Tom's Place.
- Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch reports that current intel suggests there has been no loss of life.
- Repopulation will not be allowed until basic services are restored. A Burn Area Environmental Restoration (B.A.E.R) team is on site, plans are under way to mitigate possible ash, mud, and debris flows. INF- Inyo Nation Forest has expressed concerns regarding the protection of Paiute artifacts in the area.
- Shelters: An unofficial Local Assistance Center has been established at Crowley Lake Community Center with Red Cross and Salvation Army providing assistance, located at 458 S. Landing Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546. Many displaced residents are staying with friends and family. A lodge called Tom's Place has offered free rooms to fire victims.
- An updated Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) has been submitted to Cal OES and has been placed on hold.
- A Fire and Rescue Region Assistant Chief, a Law Enforcement Branch Assistant Chief, and a Cal OES Southern Region ESC are assigned to the incident.
- Mono County Sheriff Braun has requested state staffing support for two Local Assistance Centers (LAC), one to be located in Mono County at the Crowley Lake Community Center, and one in Inyo County; the exact location is to be determined. The reason for two LAC's is the geographic distance between affected residences and affected persons' place of employment or schools. Cal OES Recovery will support the LAC openings. CUEA and Cal OES T-Comm are working with Verizon to improve cellular service in the incident area; 12 of 21 cellular sites were destroyed in the fire. The county is coordinating with LA DWP and Cal OES for a generator to support the local water system
- Cal OES Duty Officers continue to monitor the incident.

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Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties (Cont.)

Proclamation

- A Proclamation from Mono County has been received proclaiming the existence of a local emergency due to drought, wind, fire, and storm; which began on 02/06/2015. No requests for CDAA (California Disaster Assistance Act) assistance or State assistance were noted in the proclamation. Sheriff Braun will be submitting a reworded proclamation to address the request for Local Assistance Centers and recovery efforts.

State Assistance Requests

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Utilities

- The ordered Cell on Wheels (COW) is currently being broken down from Nevada. In the meantime, satellite and microwave repeater is being set up at ICP. It can support 60-100 users at a time. Direct satellite link will hold out until COW gets there. Substation that was damaged is operated by Edison under lease agreement. There is no accurate ETA on COW. Microwave and satellite teams were being assembled with an ETA of last night or this morning.
- Southern California Edison (SCE) is reporting that 100 power poles were burnt during this incident, out of area crews have arrived and work is progressing quickly. 12 Verizon cell sites have been destroyed as of 1330 hours. Approximately 50% of the 21 in the area.

Recovery

- The IMT continues to work toward expedited community repopulate. Power restoration remains progress, crews are working overnight to address issues.
- A generator was sourced, and supplied by Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, to support pumping. The size of the generator is in question, as it may not be powerful enough to pump water at an adequate level to sustain the community. The community will not be repopulated until life safety issues are addressed. A 480kv generator that can support a 10hp system is needed. Law Assistant Chief spoke with Law LDO about locating this generator should it be needed.
- Cal OES Recovery is deploying two staff today, 02/09/15, to assist with the LAC needs and damage assessments, ETA Tuesday 2/10/15.

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Van Dyke Fire, Mono County

Per ICS-209, CAL FIRE, and Cal OES Duty Officers as of 02/09/15 at 0745 hours:

- Location: Point Ranch, South of Bridgeport
- Unified Command with BLM, USFS, Bridgeport Fire
- 500 acres, 75% contained. Expected containment: 02/09/2015
- 0 structures threatened
- High winds continue to hamper suppression efforts.
- Fire is burning in scattered sage, pinyon juniper and grass. Some fuels are not being fully consumed creating reburn potential.
- Evacuations: LDO also advised per Mono County, evacuations were lifted for the 20 homes previously evacuated in Bridgeport.
- Shelters: An evacuation shelter has been established at Bridgeport Memorial Hall located at 73 N. School Street, Bridgeport, CA 93517.
Current Population Count - 0
- No State resources committed
- 3 Local Government Engines assigned.
- At 1946 hours on 02/06/15, CUEA advised per an on-site Southern California Edison (SCE) manager, one out-building burned and one regulator building was destroyed in the fire. 748 customers are impacted due to the destroyed regulator building, but 1,500 customers total are impacted by this fire. No estimated time of restoration at this time.
- LDO advised the previous generator request has been cancelled after having a discussion with CUEA. The facility damaged by the fire is still in-accessible as a result of the fire. Repair crews are standing by and will make repairs as soon as feasible
- Electrical service has been partially restored to Bridgeport, SCE crews are on site.
- Cal OES Duty Officers and CUEA continue to monitor the incident.
- As of this morning the Sheriff's Dept. advises there is landline service in Bridgeport, but cellular service is down.
- This morning Mono County Sheriff Braun notified the LDO that she had proclaimed an emergency as of 1407 hours on February 6.

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Weather of Concern

- Another frontal system in the recent series of strong storms continues through today for extreme Northern California. Strong south winds are expected over the mountains, in south to north oriented valleys, along the coast, and east of the Cascades.
- All rivers will continue to recede. Rises today are not expected to be as significant.
- A few inches of snow may be possible down to Lake Tahoe level, but main impacts will be for the Tahoe area passes. Anyone traveling over the passes through today should be prepared for winter driving conditions and possible delays.
- Impacts include:
 - Urban and small stream flooding
 - Main Stem River flooding possible (Ord Ferry, Tehama & Vina-Woodson Bridges, Colusa, Tisdale & Moulton Weir flows this weekend)
 - Potential for debris flows near wildfire burn scars
 - Localized power outages & downed trees due to southerly winds
 - Winter road conditions expected today near pass levels
 - Thunderstorms possible added impact
- The California Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) shows that **zero** river points are above Flood Stage:
- High Wind Warning in effect until 1600 hours this afternoon for portions of Modoc and Siskiyou Counties.

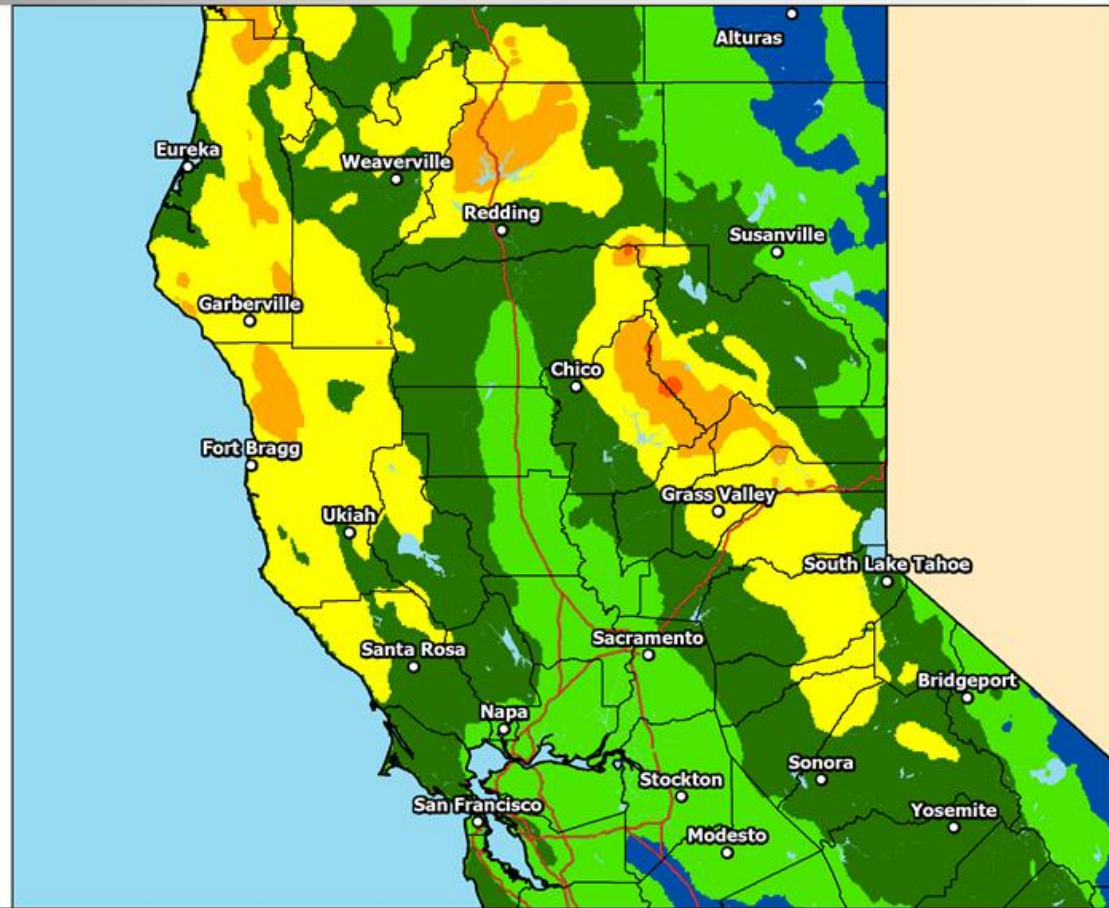
Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php



Precipitation Forecast

Storm Total Rain Sunday into Monday

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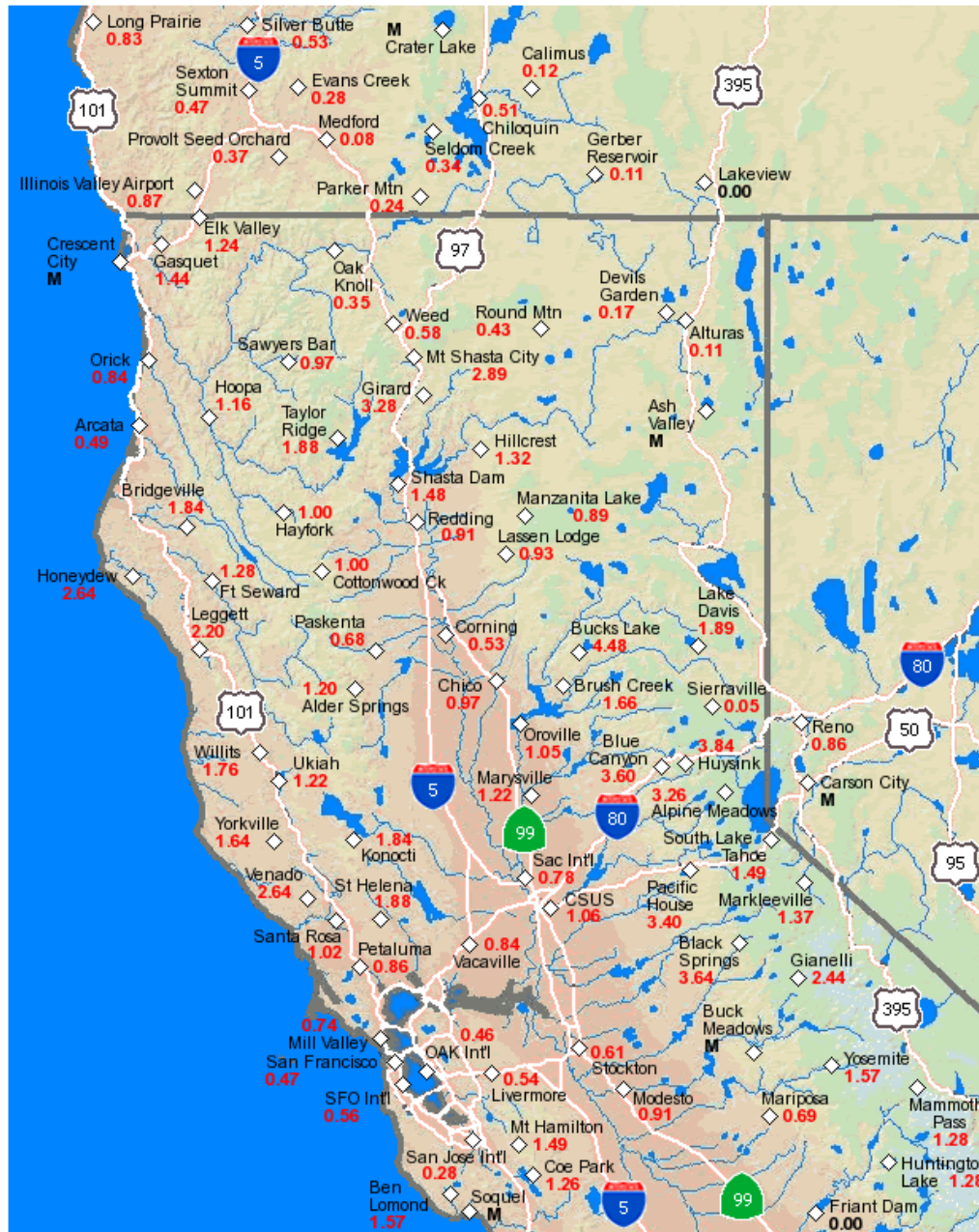
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Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Siskiyou County

- Evacuation order was lifted for Gazelle Trailer park and vicinity. IDE's will be assessed today
- An evacuation shelter has been established and placed at standby at the Siskiyou County Fairgrounds, 1712 Fairlane Road, Yreka.
- There are numerous power outages and trees down countywide in addition to heavy rains and rising creeks.
- City of Dunsmuir has experienced flooding along the Sacramento River. Homes have been evacuated along Butterfly Avenue. A shelter was opened at the Dunsmuir Community Hall in Dunsmuir. Shelter population: 2.
- No current needs or issues.

Lassen County

- The Lassen Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 2005 River Street, Susanville has experienced significant exterior roof damage from the high winds. Open trusses are exposed in several locations. In addition there is a system-wide power outage in the area. County OES and Public Health have made a decision to evacuate the facility and temporarily move the residents to a medical shelter/alternate care site located at the Lassen County Fairgrounds, 195 Russell Avenue, Susanville. OES and local public health representatives are currently on site evaluating the situation. Roofers as well as a building inspector are en route to assist with facility evaluation.
- Facility was re-opened late in the afternoon on 02/07/15 with Verbal Ok from State licensing board. Facility has enough room to repatriate the guest and patients in the undamaged building. Transfers were completed by 1800 hours on 02/07/15 and the Shelter/ACS was closed. Demobilization will occur today.
- ACS will be demobilized today.
- Majority of County power has been restored. They still have remote locations that will take some time to reach and repair.
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, the CESRS radio on Shaffer Mountain is back on commercial power. It is not on the state microwave as the link at Bunchgrass (aka Hatchet Mountain, in Shasta County) has lost power. Microwave connectivity is impaired through Black Mt. in southern Lassen County near Plumas County. This will impact communications via the microwave system for CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET back to Sacramento. Radio techs are conducting repairs at Black Mt. Users of the system will only be able to use the repeaters locally. Technicians are on site to bring the link back up.

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Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Plumas County

- A Proclamation from Plumas County has been received due a severe winter storm event bringing high winds and heavy rains resulting in loss of electrical power and communications, road blockages, structural damage, and hazardous material releases. A Governor's concurrence has been requested as well as a Presidential Declaration.
- Estimates are approximately 67 homes have suffered wind damage. Three schools and six public buildings are known to be damaged as well.
- 8 generators have arrived in Quincy to support PG&E. Arrived and connected to the grid.
- PG&E is working with local OES on outages and durations.
- American Red Cross has established a Warming Center at the Chester Memorial Hall, 225 Gay St, Chester. [Warming Center remained open until 1700 hrs. Will re-evaluate needs again today.](#)
- A spreadsheet of damages is being developed.
- The county continues to evaluate resource needs.
- Strike Team of Hand Crews mission tasked to assist in emergency debris/tree removal. Awaiting report on mission closure
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET are impacted at Hough Mountain and is on generator power. Technicians are on site to bring the link back up.

Shasta County

- No issues and continues to monitor the situation.

El Dorado County

- Three homes in Pollock Pines have been hit by one tree; evacuations are in progress. No shelters are needed at this time.
- There are multiple road closures due to trees down. Caltrans removed a tree from Highway 50, clearing an earlier closure.
- Localized flooding and multiple power outages are also affecting the county.

Missions

- **2015-IREOC-8532: Lassen:** Supplies are needed from a 50-bed field hospital to support the evacuation of a care home. Resource is located at High Desert Prison. [Demobilization will occur today.](#)
- **2015-IREOC-8552: Plumas:** Cal FIRE hand crews to assist with tree debris removal from Lake Almanor Basin. Crew to be utilized during normal operational hours. [Mission completed and closed in Cal EOC.](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Coastal Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

- Bay Area mountains received copious rainfall and the valleys less, as you would typically expect, but the differences were quite pronounced in this storm system. High spots in the mountains of 10-13" were reported, while some valley locations more inland saw less than a half inch. This was a very beneficial rain for the area, and flash flooding concerns did not materialize which kept the overall impacts mainly limited to urban/street flooding, wind related tree and power line damage. Winds did gust up to 55 MPH at San Francisco International Airport and 70 MPH in the hills.
- The two staff staged at Mendocino and Lake Counties were released from duties on the night of 02/06/15.

San Mateo County

2015-CREOC-8572, Coastal Region has put in a mission request for San Mateo County Flooding. They have tasked Caltrans to provide water pumps. A mobile home park is flooding. Eight pumps were secured from San Mateo County. No Caltrans pumps were used. San Mateo County is requesting Caltrans to conduct a hydraulic study.

Mendocino County

Mendocino County reported that as of 2100 hours on 2/07/15, that all County Microwave and Public Safety Radio systems are operational. Fort Bragg Microwave is on temporary power supply. PG&E power still out at Matheson and Cahto, both sites are on generator power. Total customers out in Mendocino are down to approximately 2,800 at the moment.

- Total customers out in Mendocino are down to approximately 2800 at the moment. Most heavily impacted areas are Fort Bragg and Elk.
- All County Microwave and Public Safety radio systems operational
- FB Microwave on temp power supply
- There are still sporadic outages throughout the region with the largest numbers still in Mendocino and Sonoma.
- PG&E continues to work throughout the day and continues to bring up more power.

Del Norte County

- Pacific Power is reporting no large power outages.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Statewide CUEA/Utilities

- The PG&E San Francisco EOC, at 245 Market, has activated at 0719 hours on 02/06/15 at Level 3 (mid-level activated, though because it is a work day, it is fully staffed, and covers the Humboldt to Bakersfield service territory), through Sunday for the upcoming weather event.
- There are still sporadic outages throughout the region with the largest numbers still in Mendocino. The last update from Mendocino County OES was PG&E for Willits/Fort Bragg had been restored, picking up about 2500 customers. The Big River area has mostly been restored. The total customers out in Mendocino around 1500 yesterday were 2800. The most heavily impacted areas were Fort Bragg and Elk. PG&E continued to work throughout the day and continued to bring up more power.
- As of 1500 hours on 02/08/15, PG&E is reporting approximately 9,000 outages system-wide. Liberty Energy (southern Mono County provider) is less than 100 out.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Rain showers will persist across much of Northwest California today. Showers will decrease in coverage overnight as upper level ridging begins to build over the West Coast. Dry conditions will return on Tuesday and persist for the remainder of the week.

Medford Weather:

A large, vertically stacked low offshore continues to push north along the coast this morning. Mountains in the forecast area are seeing very high gusty winds and snow levels are around 5500 to 6000 feet. From the Siskiyou across the Cascades to around Crater Lake we will see about 6 inches of snow today. For most locations, rainfall isn't as big a concern as the wind but the exception is in Siskiyou County where several inches of rain and reports of flooding around the Mt. Shasta/ Weed area. Flood advisories continue this morning for that area. Rain will gradually diminish from south to north today but not before another inch of rain may fall in the area. The rest of the week will be fairly quiet as ridging will hold rainfall offshore all week.

Reno Weather:

Low pressure will continue to provide gusty winds and showers through the morning before diminishing by late afternoon. High pressure will then build across the region Tuesday and Wednesday with drier conditions and light winds returning. Areas of fog are possible Tuesday morning across the Sierra and Western Nevada.

San Francisco Weather:

A few showers will continue across our area today especially for the North Bay and coastal ranges. High pressure then rebuilds starting tonight and continues through Saturday leading to clear and mild temperatures. Next chance of rain slated for the middle of next week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Remnants of the weekend storm system linger across the region today with showers, decreasing wind, and some snow in the northern Sierra. Drier and warmer conditions return on Tuesday.

Hanford Weather:

Rain showers and very high elevation light snow will continue through this morning as a low pressure system moves north of the area. High pressure returns by Tuesday producing dry weather, above normal temperatures, and patchy nighttime and morning fog in the San Joaquin Valley through the remainder of the next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Cloudy skies will turn sunny by late morning. Temperatures will warm well above normal for the second half of the week due to gusty Santa Ana winds and the development of a large ridge of high pressure above normal temperatures and dry weather will continue into next weekend.

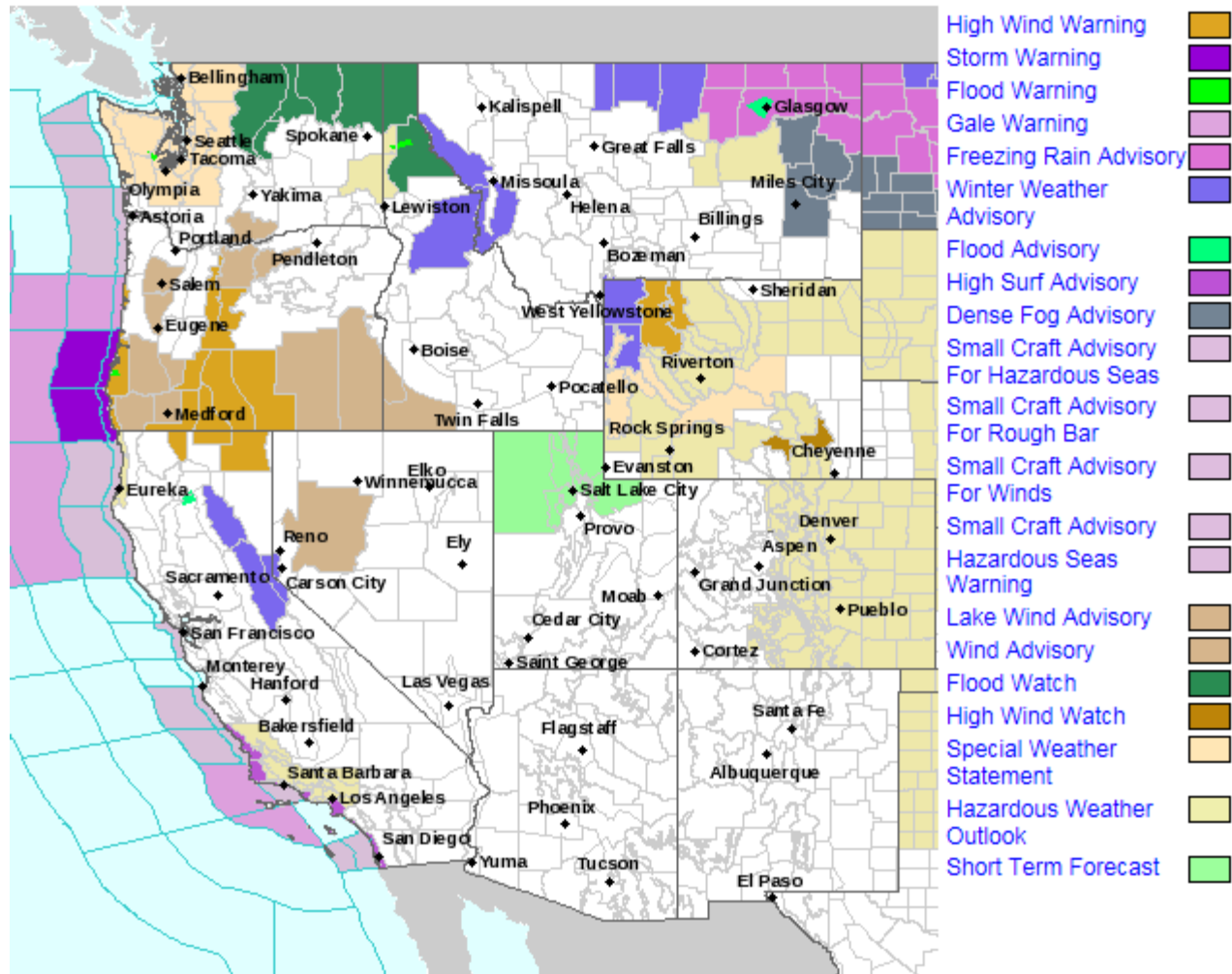
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A trough of low pressure along the West Coast will move east today into the Great Basin. Light onshore flow will continue through Tuesday morning with areas of low clouds and fog once again through the coastal slopes. A ridge of high pressure will gradually develop over the east Pacific and continue through the end of the week. This pattern will cause strengthening offshore flow to develop west of the mountains. Temperatures will be much above normal along with gusty northeast winds during the afternoons and evenings.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure will continue to dominate the weather over the region through most of this week resulting in mostly clear skies and much above normal temperatures. High temperatures in the lower to middle 80s will be common with just a short period of slightly cooler temperatures as a weak disturbance passes quickly over the region. A turn towards cooler temperatures and more unsettled weather is possible by next weekend as a series of weather disturbances attempt to begin to move inland into the Desert Southwest.

STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Feb, 9th 2015 at 10:55:08 am MST



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 15 have withdrawn for a total of 48 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: 56 Kickoff Meetings have been completed leaving 1 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/31/2015.
- Currently, 95 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 78 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 19 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa and Solano Counties regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing funds to hire initial case management staff for the Napa Earthquake Recovery Group (aka, eNERGy) and the Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG). Both Long Term Recovery Groups are seeking funds from partner agencies to assist with unmet needs.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

- On 12/22/14, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties to allow Caltrans to formally request immediate assistance through FHWA's ER Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction for damages sustained as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. After assessing the damages, Caltrans is requesting the Governor update his proclamation to include Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tehama, and Yolo Counties. Cal OES' Recovery Section conducted an assessment to verify the Counties of Lake, Marin, San Mateo, Sonoma, and Tehama's Public Assistance estimates for debris removal, emergency work, and permanent restoration of public facilities in order to determine potential eligibility for State funding.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning February 9, 2015.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.